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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT CARTER'S LETTER; MONTES TRIP TO OAS; RIGHT OF
OPTION

1. I CALLED ON ADMIRAL MONTES THIS AFTERNOON 6/15
TO TRANSMIT PRESIDENT CARTER'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT
VIDELA (STATE 151569), AND TO DISCUSS THE FOREIGN
MINISTER'S TRIP TO WASHINGTON TO CONSULT WITH THE
OAS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AND ATTEND THE OAS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY. (MONTES LEAVES TOMORROW --
SEE BUENOS AIRES 4570.)

2. I TOLD ADMIRAL MONTES WE HOPE THAT GOA CAN GET
ON WITH AN INVITATION FOR THE OAS HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION TO MAKE A VISIT HERE, REMINDING HIM OF
THE IMPORTANCE THIS INVITATION HAS TAKEN. HE
REPLIED THAT HE THINKS THERE ARE NO OBSTACLES TO
THE INVITATION. HE ADDED THAT ARGENTINA HOPES THE
COMMISSION WILL COME HERE TO EVALUATE WHAT IS
HAPPENING NOW -- INCLUDING TAKING NOTE OF EFFORTS
ARGENTINA IS MAKING TO IMPROVE THE COUNTRY'S
HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION -- RATHER THAN SEEING ITS
ROLE JUST AS "HISTORICAL."

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3. WE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE RIGHT OF OPTION. I
TOLD THE FOREIGN MINISTER WE HAD WORD OF FINAL
AND FIRM APPROVAL OF A PAROLE PROGRAM (STATE
151280), AND SUGGESTED THE NEED TO WORK CLOSELY
TO COMBINE THIS PROGRAM WITH ARGENTINA'S RIGHT
OF OPTION PROCEDURES. WE AGREED THIS IS A SUBJECT
I SHOULD DISCUSS IN SOME DETAIL WITH THE MINISTER

OF INTERIOR (WHO ADMINISTERS THE RIGHT OF OPTION
PROGRAM) TO SEE HOW BEST WE CAN GET THIS THING
MOVING. CASTRO

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